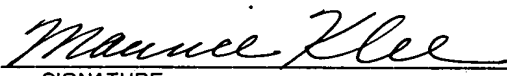


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER LCI-101
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US02/41525		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/501,846
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 23 December 2002		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 26 December 2001
TITLE OF INVENTION DUAL POWER BINOCULAR WITH ADJUSTABLE STOP		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Ellis I. Betensky, James Brian Caldwell, and Klaus G. Raschke		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.		
4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).		
5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 		
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 		
7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 		
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.		
14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.		
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.		
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.		
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19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Modified 1449 Form; Cited Reference; Express Mail Information; Return Receipt Postcard		

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56 and 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references listed on the Modified 1449 Form submitted herewith.

Copies of the listed references are submitted herewith, with the exception of the references which are U.S. patents (37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii)). However, if for any reason, the Examiner believes it is necessary or desirable for applicants to provide copies of all or some of the US patent references, the Examiner is requested to advise the undersigned attorney and any copies required will be provided.

References 4, 5, 14, and 15 were cited in the May 14, 2003 International Search Report for Application No. PCT/US02/41525 of which this is the U.S. national phase.

The foregoing references are being submitted prior to the mailing date of a first substantive Office Action for this application and thus no fee under 37 CFR §1.17(p) is believed to be due for this submission. However, if a fee is required, applicants request that the fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 11-1158.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial a copy of the Modified 1449 Form and return it to applicants to indicate consideration of the references listed thereon in connection with the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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